

A NOTE FROM FATHER EICKHOFF

Now that we are in the Season of Advent, I want to go over the Christmas schedule. The big challenge this year is how Christmas Day falls on a Monday and how the Masses that day interact with the Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses on Saturday and Sunday. In order to provide time for the Arts and Environment Committee to decorate the Church for the Christmas Masses; to provide some time for rest for myself, the other priests who are helping with Masses here at St. Anne, and our other ministers and volunteers; and the realization that the likelihood of regular Mass goers of attending the 11AM Sunday Mass and then returning for the 4PM Christmas Eve Mass approaches zero; I have decided to trim down the number of Masses for the Fourth Sunday of Advent on Sunday morning. The schedule for Masses on December 23-25 follows:

Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses

Saturday, December 23rd – 5PM
Sunday, December 24th – 7.30AM

Christmas Eve Masses

Sunday, December 24th – 4PM
Sunday, December 24th – 6PM
Sunday, December 24th – 10PM

Christmas Day Masses

Monday, December 25th – 8AM
Monday, December 25th – 10AM

There are two obligations in effect during this time period. The first is to attend Mass on Sunday (or Saturday Vigil Mass); and the second is to attend Christmas Mass. The Christmas Eve Masses fulfill both obligations at once.

The schedule for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Anne Parish is as follows through the end of December:

Wednesday, December 13th at 7PM
Saturday, December 16th at 3.30PM
Wednesday, December 20th at 7PM
Saturday, December 30th at 3.30PM

The last scheduled confessions before Christmas will be on Wednesday, December 20th.

The normally scheduled Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions on Wednesday, December 27th is canceled.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Stephen Eickhoff
Pastor